

Application No. 10/762,806  
Amendment dated July 11, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of March 10, 2005

**Amendments to the Drawings:**

- 5 The attached sheets of drawings include changes to FIGS. 1-3, which are replaced with replacement sheets FIGS. 1-3, as described and listed below. The replacement sheets include no new matter.

**Description of Changes to the Drawings:**

- 10 FIGS. 1 and 2 have been corrected by removing reference numerals 34 and their accompanying lead lines.
- 15 FIG. 3 has been corrected by adding reference numeral 18 and its accompanying lead line.

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### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-36 remain in this application. Claims 1, 4, 13, 15-25, and 27-36 have been amended.

#### Drawings (Page 2 of the Office Action)

FIGS. 1 and 2 have been corrected by removing reference numerals 34 and their accompanying lead lines. Reference numeral 34, which shows the chamber floor 34, is accurately reflected in FIG. 3.

FIG. 3 has been corrected by adding reference numeral 18 and its accompanying lead line. Reference numeral 18 shows the block bottom 18.

#### Specification (Page 3 of the Office Action)

The applicant has amended the specification by replacing the paragraph beginning on page 21 at line 21 with an amended paragraph, which corrects and changes "110" to -- 100-- on page 22, line 4.

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Claim Objections (Page 3 of the Office Action)

Applicant has amended the claims to more accurately reflect patentable subject matter and to overcome the Examiner's objections. The following changes to claims 1, 4, 13, 15, and 27 have been made:

Claim 1, line 16, the phrase "received cover plate" has been deleted.

Claim 4, line 2, "wherein an astragal comprises said channel" has been changed to --wherein said channel is disposed in an astragal--.

Claim 13, line 2, "nuts:" has been changed to --nuts--.

Claim 15, line 1, "according to claim 15" has been changed to --according to claim 14--.

Claim 27, line 1, "according to claim 27" has been changed to --according to claim 26--.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112 (Pages 3 and 4 of the Office Action)

Applicant has amended claim 1 to more accurately reflect patentable subject matter and to overcome the Examiner's rejections. The following changes have been made to claim 1:

"said strike plate aperture receiving said strike plate received male fasteners therethrough" has been changed to --said cover plate aperture receiving said male fasteners therethrough--.

Other Amendments to the Claims

Applicant has amended claims 16-25, and 28-36 to more accurately reflect patentable subject matter and to make typographical corrections. The following changes to claims 16-25, and 28-36 have been made:

Claims 16 and 19-25, line 1, "according to claim 15" has been changed to --according to claim 14--.

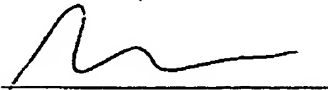
Claims 17 and 18, line 1, "according to claim 16" has been changed to --according to claim 15--.

Claims 28-36, line 1, "according to claim 27" has been changed to --according to claim 26--.

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Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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